

BOARD OF LICENSURE OF FORESTERS
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 23, 2006

BOARD: Board of Licensure of Foresters

DATE: August 23, 2006

ROOM: Central Conference Room

LOCATION: Department of Professional & Financial Regulation

TIME

SCHEDULED: 8:30 A.M.

TIME CALLED

TO ORDER: 8:45 A.M.

ADJOURN: 1:15 P.M.

CHAIR: Stephen Holt

VICE-CHAIR: William Ostrofsky

BOARD CLERK: Susan Greenlaw

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Holt, Arthur Carroll, Rene Noel Jr., Mark Beauregard

MEMBERS ABSENT: William Ostrofsky

OTHERS PRESENT: Deborah Fales, Board Clerk; Carol Leighton, Administrator; Amy Mills, Assistant Attorney General

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 a.m.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Members agreed to add the following to the agenda:

- Proctor/Grader for October Exam

OLD BUSINESS

Action on Minutes of April 26, 2006 Meeting

A motion was made by Mark Beauregard to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2006 meeting as amended; seconded by Rene Noel. Unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Administrator's Report

Application Review – Jason Cooke: This individual provided a negative response to the criminal conviction question on his forester license application. The criminal background check revealed convictions and he subsequently amended his application. A motion was made by Arthur Carroll to initiate the complaint process; seconded by Mark Beauregard. Unanimous.

Discussion of Examination Options: A motion was made by Mark Beauregard to enter into Executive Session at 9:40 a.m. for the purpose of maintaining the integrity of the SAF Practice Exam; seconded by Rene Noel. Unanimous. A motion was made by Mark Beauregard to emerge from Executive Session at 10:45 a.m.; seconded by Rene Noel. Unanimous.

Members reached a consensus on pursuing the process for utilization of the SAF exam. Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

Complaint Officer's Report

There are three complaints pending.

Eugene L. Putnam Superior Court Decision – Update by A.A.G. Mills

A hearing was held before the Board in February 2005. Mr. Putnam appealed the Board's decision to the Superior Court. The Court affirmed the Board's decision.

Review and Action on Applications

See table.

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Review and Action on Continuing Education

See table.

Correspondence and Communications

Nothing for review.

Next Meeting Scheduled for November 1, 2006

OTHER BUSINESS

Proctor/Grader for October Exam

The exam is scheduled for October 23, 2006.

Proctor: Mark Beauregard

Grader: Stephen Holt

ADJOURN

Being no further board business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Greenlaw
Board Clerk

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Review and Action on Applications

APPLICANT	LICENSE APPLYING FOR?	EDUCATION; HOW QUALIFYING	OTHER INFO	RECOMMENDATION	BOARD DECISION
Robert H Ball	Intern Forester – 48 months*	AAS Forestry – SUNY	Appl completed 7/7/06 He is requesting that the Board approve him for a 48 month internship based on current transcript; once he completes the PHY 101 and receives a BS degree, wants to complete a 24 month internship.	*Either approve him for the 48 month internship effective 8/23/06 or wait till he does complete the PHY 101 course and submits a new transcript indicating completion of the BS degree and the Bd will receive the application at a future board meeting. If approved based on AAS, do you want to re-review once BS degree has been achieved? Does he start a new 24 months at that time or does this time count toward that 24 months?	A motion was made by Noel to approve for 48 month internship effective 8/23/06; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Rusty L Brann	Forester	Board approved a 24 month internship effective 1/9/04. He has been licensed from 1/9/04 to present.	Appl rec'd on 3/2/06. References received from three foresters including sponsor, Susan Aygarn.	Exam	Motion by Noel to approve for exam; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Forest D Briggs	Intern Forester – 24 months	BS Forestry – UM	Appl rec'd on 6/26/06. Sponsor – Kenneth Lamond Registration of Unlicensed Individuals form rec'd.	24 month internship effective 8/23/06.	Motion by Carroll to approve for 24 month internship effective 8/23/06; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Shawn J Bugbee	Forester	Board approved a 24 month internship effective 11/21/03. He	References rec'd from three foresters including sponsor, William	Exam	Motion by Noel to approve for

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		has been licensed from 11/21/03 to 12/31/03; 2/9/04 to present.	G Brown.		exam; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Maggie L Burke	Intern Forester – 24 months	BS Forestry – UM	Appl rec'd 8/18/06. Sponsor – Thomas C Doak	24 month internship effective 8/23/06.	Motion by Beauregard to approve for 24 month internship effective 8/23/06; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Peter M Connorton	Forester	MF Forestry – Yale CT Forester since October 1996	Appl rec'd June 23, 2006. Last reference rec'd 8/7/06.	Because of Reciprocal Agreement w/ CT, invite him to visit with the Board.	Motion by Holt to invite him to the next meeting; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Rory L Eckardt	Intern Forester – 24 months	BS Forest Operations Science – UM	Appl rec'd 8/18/06. Sponsor – Michael H Dann	24 month internship effective 8/23/06.	Motion by Holt to approve for 24 month internship effective 8/23/06; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Matthew T Jacobs	Forester	Board approved a 24 month internship effective 7/24/03. He has been licensed from 7/24/03 to 12/31/04; 1/18/05 to present.	Appl rec'd on 4/7/06. References received from three foresters including sponsor, Peter Tracy.	Exam	Motion by Noel to approve for exam; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
David Lieser	Forester	BS Natural Resources-Ohio State MS Natural Resources – U Michigan	Appl reviewed at April meeting and additional references were requested from other states where he has 24 months of lawful professional forestry practice.	Deny appl- not qualified; does not have 24 months of licensed or lawful practice in another jurisdiction.	Motion by Carroll to deny; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Ryan E Worster	Intern Forester – 48 months	AS Forestry – UM	Appl rec'd 6/20/06 Sponsor – Steven Bates Registration of Unlicensed	48 month internship effective 8/23/06.	Motion by Noel to approve for 48 month

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			Individuals form rec'd.		internship effective 8/23/06; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
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Review and Action on Continuing Education

NAME OF PROGRAM	SPONSOR	DATES	HOURS APPROVED	CAT.
Best Management Practices for Forestry & Maine's New BMP Manual	Maine Forest Service & Sustainable Forest Technologies	April 26, 2006	4 Motion – Holt Second – Noel Unanimous	1
Annual Mud Season Forester Training	Wagner Forest Management Ltd.	May 2-3, 2006	May 2 AM = 3.75 May 2 PM = 1.5 May 3 AM = 2.75 May 3 PM = 1.5 Motion – Noel Second – Holt Unanimous	1 2 1 2
2006 Spring Training	Wagner Forest Management	April 25-28, 2006	April 25 AM = 3.5 April 25 PM = 2.5 April 26 April 27 April 28 Motion – Holt Second – Noel Unanimous	2 1 1 1 2
Skidder Bridge/Mat Construction Workshop	Maine's SFI Program & Maine Forest Svc.	May 4, 2006	2 Motion = Noel Second – Beauregard Unanimous	1
NH/VT Christmas Tree Association 50 th Anniversary Meeting	NH/VT Christmas Tree Association/New England Christmas Tree Alliance	September 28-30, 2006	Sept. 29 = 3 Sept. 30 = 1.5	1 1

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			Motion – Holt Second – Beauregard Unanimous	
Invasive Plant Patrol Workshop	Maine Center for Invasive Aquatic Plants	August 23, 2006	Denied Motion – Holt Second – Beauregard Unanimous	
Upland Invasive Plant Species Identification and Control Work	University of Maine and Penobscot Experimental Forest	September 16, 2006	2.5 Motion – Noel Second – Beauregard Unanimous	1
University of Maine Master of Forestry Paper	Submitted by Stephen Holt		12 Holt recused Motion - Noel Second – Beauregard Unanimous	1